

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-6 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 4, and 5 are rejected. Claims 2, 3, and 6 are objected to. Claims 2 and 6 have been rewritten in independent form to include all limitations of the base claim and intervening claims, and are now in condition for allowance.

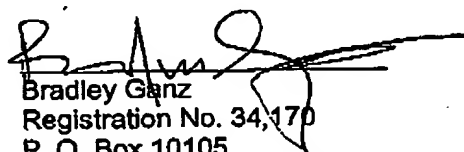
Claim 3 depends from claim 2, so in view of the amendment of claim 2, claim 3 is now in condition for allowance. To obtain an early allowance of the subject matter of claims 2, 3, and 6, claims 1, 4, and 5 are cancelled without prejudice or acquiescence in any rejection against them.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that in view of the foregoing amendments, the application is in condition for allowance, and favorable action is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees, which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1001.

Respectfully submitted,

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